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APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO CLOSURE REPORT FOR TEMPORARY ACCUMULATION AREA (TAA) 770, FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EL TORO

Dear Mr. Piszkin:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has reviewed the subject document dated January 9, 2003, prepared by IT Corporation for Naval Facilities Engineering Command. The report summarizes the results of additional soil samples collected at TAA 770 in November 2002 based on agreements reached during a site visit on August 27, 2002. The samples were analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-VOCs, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) as gasoline, TPH as diesel, pesticides, and metals.

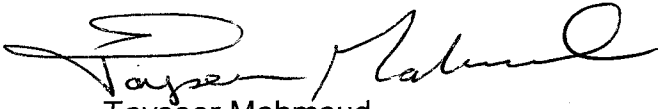
TAA 770 (also referenced as Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 223) was identified as a hazardous waste storage area (HWSA) during the development of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Facility Assessment (RFA) prepared for El Toro. The HWSA may have been used for storage of waste oil, hydraulic fluid, and antifreeze. Former TAA 770 includes two units: an enclosed concrete slab with curb, approximately 17 feet wide by 17 feet long constructed in 1983; and a concrete slab with berm, sump, and access ramp, approximate dimensions 20 feet by 25 feet, that was constructed more recently. The unit is located northeast of Building 386, within the boundaries of Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Site 24, the VOC Source Area in the southwest quadrant of the Station.

Based on the review of this closure report, we agree with the Navy's recommendation of no further action for TAA 770. Also, the units should be identified as "closed" and suitable for residential uses in the next Base Realignment Closure Business Plan update.

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If you have any question, please call me at (714) 484-5419.

Sincerely,

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